# Transportation Committee

of the

## Southern California Association of Governments

## August 1, 2013

#### Minutes

### THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Transportation Committee (TC) held its meeting at SCAG's office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark. A quorum was present.

Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona

Memb	oers Present:	
Hon.	Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon.	Bruce Barrows, Cerritos	District 23
Hon.	Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon.	Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon.	Bob Botts, Banning, RCTC	Banning, RCTC
Hon.	Art Brown, Buena Park	Buena Park
Hon.	Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon.	Jeff DeGrandpre, Eastvale	Eastvale
Hon.	Roy Francis, La Habra Heights	District 31
Hon.	Mario Guerra, Downey	GCCOG
Hon.	Bert Hack, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon.	Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon.	Bill Hodge, Calexico	ICTC
Hon.	Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon.	Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon.	Michele Martinez, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon.	Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon.	Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon.	Barbara Messina, Alhambra	District 34
Hon.	Keith Millhouse, Moorpark (Chair)	VCTC
Hon.	Leroy Mills, Cypress	District 18
Hon.	Jim Morton	Lynwood
Hon.	Brett Murdock, Brea	District 22
Hon.	Kris Murray	Anaheim
Hon.	Steven Neal, Long Beach	District 29
Hon.	Shawn Nelson	Orange County
Hon.	Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon.	Micheál O'Leary, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon.	Gary Ovitt	San Bernardino County
Hon.	Linda Parks	Ventura County
Hon.	Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon.	Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon.	Ron Roberts, Temecula	District 5
Hon.	David Spence, La Cañada-Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo Cities

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Hon.Tim Spohn, City of IndustrySGVCOGHon.Barb Stanton, Apple ValleySANBAG

Hon. Jeff Stone Riverside County

Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera
Hon. Don Voss, City of La Cañada-Flintridge
Hon. Alan Wapner, City of Ontario (Vice-Chair)

Mr. Aziz Elattar Caltrans District 7

#### **Members Not Present:**

Hon. John Addleman
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair
Hon. Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach
Rolling Hills Estates
District 9
District 64

Hon.Matthew Harper, Huntington BeachDistrict 64Hon.Jose Huizar, Los AngelesDistrict 61Hon.Randon Lane, MurrietaMurrietaHon.James C. LedfordPalmdale

Hon. Brian McDonald Chemehuevi Indian Tribe

Hon.Ryan McEachron, VictorvilleSANBAGHon.Bernard C. Parks, Los AngelesDistrict 55Hon.Mark Rutherford, Westlake VillageLVMCOG

Hon. Damon Sandoval Morongo Band of Mission Indians

Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank SFVCOG

#### CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was made.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public requested to make a comment.

#### **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **Approval Item**

#### 1. Minutes of the June 6, 2013 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Hack) to approve the Consent Calendar. The MOTION was seconded (O'Leary) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. Motion passed.

#### INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 2. High Desert Corridor Update

Robert Machuca, Project Manager, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, provided an update on the High Desert Corridor, a 63-mile multi-modal facility that would link State Route (SR) 14 in Los Angeles County and SR-18 in San Bernardino

County. He reported that one of the goals of the facility is to provide a multi-modal corridor to improve regional goods movement and connectivity. Mr. Machuca noted that the draft environmental document is expected to be completed in Spring 2014.

Discussion ensued regarding adequate locations of safe bicycle rest facilities; consideration of tolls for all types of vehicles; and connectivity outside of the corridor (Medina, Stanton and McLean).

#### 3. Ventura County Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Test Site Application

Todd L. McNamee, Director of Airports, Ventura County, presented a report on Ventura County's Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Test Site Application. Mr. McNamee reported that Congress mandated integration of UAS into the National Airspace System by September 2015.

A MOTION was made (Barrows) to recommend that the Committee support Ventura County's UAS Test Site Application. The MOTION was seconded (O'Leary).

Discussion ensued regarding application award process; FAA as the lead agency for this effort; privacy concerns of civilians; no applications received yet from the SCAG region; and electronic frequency concerns of manned and unmanned aircrafts (Mills, Hack, Parks, Wapner and Medina).

The MOTION to recommend the committee's approval of the test site application was unanimously approved. MOTION PASSED.

#### 4. <u>Sustainability Program Call for Proposals Update</u>

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, provided an update on the Sustainability Program Call for Proposals. Mr. Ikhrata reported that 76 applications were received, 73 of which met the criteria. The total funding request for the 73 eligible applicants is \$10.04 million. He also reported that the goal is to fund all 73 projects in three (3) phases with \$2 million that is available to fund Phase 1 projects and an additional \$8 million in funding will be sought for Phases 2 and 3 projects in subsequent years.

#### 5. "Parking Reform Made Easy" Presentation

Richard W. Willson, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, reported on his recent work, "Parking Reform Made Easy." He stated that parking requirements affect a city's density goals, character, walkability, and other attributes and are viewed as a policy choice rather than the traditional approach of assigning a minimum parking space requirement. Dr. Willson discussed the linking of parking policy strategies with multi-modal plans and consideration of adjustments relative to a project's context.

Discussion ensued regarding the optimum and efficient use of a 90-degree parking space versus other parking designs; consideration of non-capital elements in transportation planning, management system and services that are aligned with facilities (Mills and Parks).

#### 6. Rail Update

Steve Fox, SCAG staff, provided an update on rail developments in the region and stated that LOSSAN is scheduled to select its first managing agency of the new LOSSAN Pacific Surfliner Local control service on August 23, 2013. Beginning August 18, 2013, Metrolink will double its Sunday commuter service to the Antelope Valley, from 3 to 6 trips. Additionally, implementation of Positive Train Control (PTC) on the San Bernardino Line will be completed this Fall; while PTC will be installed on the entire system by March 2014. The Perris Valley Line will be a 24-mile continuation of the Metrolink's Riverside Line to Perris. Lastly, Mr. Fox reported that SANBAG began a study of rail access to the Ontario Airport.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

No report was provided.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

No staff report was provided.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held Thursday, September 12, 2013 at the SCAG Los Angeles office.

Ryan Kuo, Program Manager Transportation Planning

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